

AAU Athletics National Qualifier Meet Requirements (revised September 2011)

(Please refer to the attached bid application for specific requirements)

Bid Fee:

A \$800.00 Non Refundable bid fee must accompany the bid applications. Personal or Club checks will NOT be accepted. Only credit card, money order or cashiers checks will be accepted. This bid fee will be used to sanction the approved National Qualifer events. If your event is not selected the bid fee will be returned.

**ALL TWO YEAR BIDS SUBMITTED IN 2011 for 2012 MUST BE RESUBMITTED UTILIZING THE CURRENT BID APPLICATION ALONG WITH THE ADDITIONAL 500.00 BID FEE AS CONTRACTUALLY MANDATED.

NATIONAL QUALIFIER COMPETITION LIMITATIONS:

All athletes MUST compete in their DESIGNATED National Qualifier (see attached). Requests for permission to compete in another AAU National Qualifier must be requested in writing to the AAU Athletics National Chair or designee (aauathleticswaiver@bellsouth.net).

Please be advised that requests for permission to compete in a National Qualifier outside of the designated area will not be arbitrarily approved. The AAU National Athletics Executive Committee reserves the right to determine the validity and necessity of all requests to compete in a National Qualifier outside of the designated area. All decisions shall be binding.

WAIVER/EXCEPTION REQUESTS:

All waiver/exception requests must be submitted in writing to: aauathleticswaiver@bellsouth.net. Only inquiries submitted in writing will be considered.

ADVANCEMENT PROCEDURES FROM NATIONAL QUALIFIERS TO AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES:

The <u>top five (5) athletes in running and field events</u> shall advance to the AAU Junior Olympic Games. The <u>top 4 athletes/teams shall advance in the relays and multievents</u>. There will be no exceptions to the advancement procedures. Athletes may

only compete in the events in which he/she qualified at the District Qualifier. Athletes may only compete in ONE AAU National Qualifier.

Age Groups:

The AAU Athletics program is comprised of nine (9) age divisions. The athlete's year of birth shall determine the apprpriate age division for current year competition for all age divisions 8-Under through 15-16. The DATE of birth shall be used to determine the apprpriate age division for the 17-18 age division thus assuring that any athlete that DOES NOT turn 19 before the last day of National AAU Junior Olympic Games competition is still eligible to compete. Athletes MUST NOT turn 19 before the final day of the AAU Junior Olympic Games competition.

Effective 2013, the AAU track & field age groups will no longer be classified by names. The age groups **MUST** be listed on all track & field related information as follows:

Effective 2012:

Primary/8-Under
Sub-Bantam/9 years
Bantam/10 years
Sub-Midget/11 years
Midget/12 years
Sub-Youth/13 years
Youth/14 years
Intermediate/15-16 years
Young/17-18 years

Effective 2013:

8-Under

9 years

10 years

11 years

12 years

13 years

14 years

15-16 years

17-18 years

Division (Girls & Boys)	2011	2012	2013
Primary/8-Under		2004 & After	2005 & After
Sub Bantam/9 years		2003	2004
Bantam/10 years		2002	2003
Sub Midget/11 years		2001	2002
Midget/12 years		2000	2001
Sub Youth/13 years		1999	2000
Youth/14 years		1998	1999
Intermediate/15-16 years		1996-1997	1997-1998
Young /17-18 years		1994-1995	1995-1996

Events:

Effective 2012, the 1500m has been added to the AAU Junior Olympic Games track & field competition.

	PRIMARY DIVISION/8-Under					
100m Dash	100m Dash 200m Dash 400m Dash 800m Dash Long Jump Shot Put (4lbs) 4x100m					
						Relay
1500m Run						

SUB BANTAM/9 Years & BANTAM/10 Years DIVISIONS				
Track & F	ield Events	Multi Events (Triathalon)		
100m Dash	1500m Racewalk	Shot Put (6 lbs.)		
200 m Dash	Long Jump	High Jump		
400m Dash	High Jump	200m Dash (Girls)		
800m Run	Shot Put (6 lbs.)	400m Dash (Boys)		
1500m Run	4x100m Relay			
4x400m Relay				

SUB MIDGET/11 Years & MIDGET/12 Years DIVISIONS				
Track & F	ield Events	Multi Events (Pentathlon)		
100m Dash	80m Hurdles (8-30")	80m Hurdles (8-30")		
200m Dash	Long Jump	Shot Put (6 lbs.)		
400m Dash High Jump		High Jump		
800m Run	Discus (1.0 kg)	Long Jump		
1500m Run	Shot Put (6 lbs.)	800m Run (Girls)		
3000m Run	1500m Racewalk	1500m Run (Boys)		
4x100m Relay	4x400m Relay			
4x800m Relay				

SUB YOUTH/13 Years & YOUTH/14 Years DIVISION					
Track & F	ield Events	Multi Events (Pentathlon)			
100m Dash	3000m Racewalk	100m Hurdles (10-30" Girls)			
200m Dash	Long Jump	100m Hurdles (10-33" Boys)			
400m Dash	Triple Jump	Shot Put (6 lbs. Girls)			
800m Run	High Jump	Shot Put (4 kg Boys)			
1500m Run	Pole Vault	High Jump			
3000m Run	Shot Put (4 kg Boys)	Long Jump			
200m Hurdles (5-30")	Shot Put (6 lbs. Girls)	800m Run (Girls)			
100m Hurdles	Discus (1.0 kg)	1500m Run (Boys)			
(10-33" Boys)	Javelin (600g)				
100m Hurdles					
(10-30" Girls)	4x100m Relay				
4x400m Relay	4x800m Relay				

INTERMEDIATE/15-16 Years & YOUNG /17-18 Years DIVISIONS				
Track & F	ield Events	Multi Events		
100m Dash	Long Jump	Decathlon (Boys)	Heptathlon (Girls)	
200m Dash	Triple Jump	Day 1	Day 1	
400m Dash	High Jump	100m Dash	100m Hurdle (10-33")	
800m Run	Pole Vault	Long Jump	High Jump	
1500m Run	Shot Put (4 kg Girls)	Shot Put (12 lbs.)	Shot Put (4 kg)	
3000m Run	Shot Put (12 lbs. Boys)	High Jump	200m Dash	
3000m Racewalk	Discus (1.0 kg Girls)	400m Dash		
110m Hurdles	Discus (1.6 kg Boys)	Day 2	Day 2	
(10-39" Boys)	Javelin (600g Girls)	110m Hurdles (10-39")	Long Jump	
100m Hurdles	Javelin (800g Boys)	Discus (1.6 kg)	Javelin (600g)	
(10-30" Girls)		Pole Vault	800m Run	
400m Hurdles	2000m Steeplechase	Javelin (800g)		
(10-36" Boys)	(30" Girls/36" Boys)	1500m Run		
	18 hurdle jumps			
	5 water jumps			
400m Hurdles				
(10-30" Girls	4x100m Relay			
4x400m Relay	4x800m Relay			

Guidelines for Hosting AAU National Qualifier Meets

The following guidelines were developed by the AAU Athletics Executive Committee and are required to be followed by the National Qualifier Host and/or Meet Director. These guidelines are to insure the quality and consistency of all meets. Please contact an AAU Athletics Executive Committee member for any questions and/or advice. www.aauathletics.org. Refer to the bid application for specific requirements.

Meet Management Requirements:

- 1. Use of the Coach O On-line event Registration program is mandated for registration at the AAU National Qualifier level.
- 2. Meet properly sanctioned according to the AAU Code. This will be handled by the AAU National Office.
- 3. Upon awarding of the bid, the National Qualifier Meet Host/Organization must immediately notify the AAU National Office of the following:
 - a. Date of meet
 - b. Location
 - c. Schedule of events
 - d. Contact information.
- 4. Send any and all paperwork/flyers etc. to the AAU National Office to be posted.
- 5. It is mandatory that all results be forwarded to the AAU National Office, AAU Junior Olympics Hy-Tek Team and AAU Junior Olympics Meet Director within 4 hours after the conclusion of the meet.
- 6. Awards should be ordered 30 days prior to the meet from the AAU. All National Qualifier Meets MUST use AAU Championship medals as provided by the AAU for $1^{st} 3^{rd}$ place finishers in

- each event contested, including all competing relay team members. If you are awarding ribbons for $4^{th} 8^{th}$ place, they must be AAU Ribbons, purchased through the AAU.
- 7. Security and Medical personnel available in case of emergency.
- 8. Adequate officials and volunteers to properly run meet. Prefer Certified USATF Officials.
- 9. **FULLY AUTOMATIC TIMING IS MANDATED**. Name of timing company/entity must be included in the bid application.
- 10. The Hy-Tek program provided by the AAU National Office must be used. There will be no exceptions.
- 11. All events must be contested.
- 12. Meet all requirements regarding hydration (fluids), tents, facilities, etc. listed within the bid application.

Stadium Guidelines/Requirements:

The amount of athletes you expect at your AAU National Qualifier will determine the minimum requirements.

1 - 500 ATHLETES	500 or MORE	
Minimum of 8 lane track	Minimum of 8 lane track	
1-2 horizontal jumping pits	2 or more horizontal jumping pits	
1-2 high jump pits	2 or more high jump pits	
1-2 shot put rings	2 or more shot put rings	
1 pole vault pit that meets NFHS guidelines	1 pole vault pit that meets NFHS guidelines	
Seating capacity of at least 1,000	Seating capacity of at least 2,000	
Proper restroom facilities	Proper restroom facilities	
1 discus ring located outside stadium	1-2 discus ring located outside stadium	
1 javelin area located outside stadium	1 javelin area located outside stadium	
Proper warm up area	Proper warm up area	
* IMPORTANT - Throwing sector lines can not intersect any other throwing area		

<u>Date</u> - All National Qualifier meets must be completed by date determined by the AAU Athletics Executive Committee.

The date that is determined should not conflict with any other local, regional or national events (including USATF events in your area). This will allow for increased participation from local clubs and athletes.

The 2012 National Qualifier mandatory completion date is July 01, 2012.

Sanction - Required

National Qualifier sanctions MUST be completed through the National Office, NOT online. Event Sanctions are subject to approval. National Qualifier events are approved by the AAU National Office. All athletes and coaches must have a current AAU Membership to participate in an AAU Sanctioned Event.

Entry/Registration - Required

Prepare a Meet Information Sheet to comply with the requirements of the AAU. <u>The use of the Coach O On-line Registration program is mandated</u>. All meet information sheets must include the following:

2012 Junior Olympic Games Declaration & Registration Info:

Those athletes that qualify for the AAU Junior Olympic Games in Humble, TX must declare and register for the meet at www.aauathletics.org before July 17, 2012. No entries will be accepted after midnight EST (9:00 PM Pacific) on July July 17, 2012. Do not jeopardize your athlete's chance of competing in the AAU JO Games by not completing this step in the registration process.

The information must also include:

- This event is sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic Union of the U. S., Inc.
- All participants must have a current AAU membership.
- AAU membership may not be included as part of the entry fee to the event.
- AAU membership must be obtained before the competition begins. Participants are encouraged to visit the AAU web site www.aausports.org to obtain their membership.

Entry Fees

Determine fee, if any, to be charged, <u>not to exceed \$25.00 for a AAU National Qualifier Meet.</u> This should be in line with fees charged by other meets and in accordance with the National AAU Athletics Handbook.

Organizing Host/Committee

This committee should bring together a representative cross section of a community or area track and field leaders and coaches, newspaper and radio, business, service clubs, Chamber of Commerce, industry, civic officials and labor-to present the idea.

Items to be discussed include type of meet, date of competition, facilities available, tentative list of teams and available athletes, tentative budget and the recommendation for selection of a Chairman. After a chairman is selected, the committee should choose a meet director- someone who has a thorough understanding of track and field and has a good relationship with schools, colleges and clubs in the region.

Meet Director

In the smallest or the largest meet, the Meet Director is the key to the entire presentation. He or she must be a person who not only understands the sport but must also be able to direct the efforts of others and have a general understanding of all aspects of the undertaking. They must be able to foresee everything that must go into the meet in the way of planning. They should be flexible and creative. The Meet Director shall serve as the coordinator of the event.

Secure Facility-Required

A facility needs to be obtained to run the meet. The facility must have the capability of contesting all events and meet all guidelines within the bid application.

Promotion

Select a publicity director who is well versed with the sport and who has a good relationship with local newspapers in sports and general news. Early releases relating to the planning and progress of the meet are important. The AAU National Office will help by advertising through Email Blasts and posting your Event Flyer.

Tentative Schedule of Events

As soon as the meet has been developed the Meet Director should organize a tentative schedule of events. The best guidance for this task is knowledge of the events and the rulebook. The schedule must not only follow a proper order but interval of time between each event must be allowed for the

completion of the previous event and the calling of the next event. Other details should acknowledge the variety of events to maintain spectator interest.

Awards

You must order awards directly from the AAU, just visit <u>www.aausport.org</u> for more information. All National Qualifier Meets MUST use **AAU Championship medals** for $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ place finishers in each event contested, including all competing relay team members. If you are awarding ribbons for $4^{th} - 8^{th}$ place, they must be AAU Ribbons.

Meet Program - Optional

The program is one of the strongest aspects of a meet. A good program brings spectators back next year and is also a document which athletes' prize. Advertising sales, program editing, and program sales are all important. An editor should be selected. The Games Committee should take the task of personal contacts for advertising. Sometimes a local service organization such as the Junior Chamber of Commerce will assist with the task for the public service recognition.

Officials

Working with your local USATF officials association is very important. No meet can be properly conducted without competent officials. The supervisor of track and field officials for your local association should be notified of your requirements at least 3 months before your meet. Visit www.usatf.org to find out the name of the association's officials chairperson.

Officials Meeting

Conduct an Officials Meeting before the start of the meet. The meeting is important because they are the persons who carry out the rulebook. They should know all about your facilities as related to the assignment.

Information for Athletes, Teams and Coaches

Make certain that detailed information is mailed or posted on a website in advance so that all persons concerned can be informed.

Transportation and Housing

A sub-committee should arrange information to be available about car rental and motel-hotel information.

Security

A local police representative should be invited to serve on your Games Committee. With this relationship you may avoid off-duty charges. They can assist you with crowd and traffic control. It is very important for the meet director to have security for the safety of all those involved with the meet. Police Explorers from your local police department might be a source for you to contact.

Announcer

Do not select someone who likes to talk for the job. Get a genuine authority on the microphone, one that is impartial and has a good voice. He or she will help your meet. He should have adequate assistance.

Trainers

First aid, medical and training facilities for athletes are a necessity! Local school and club trainers are often willing to assist if supplies and facilities are provided by the meet. You should have a doctor on your Games Committee.

Meet Management Team

A meet management team should be appointed to direct the mechanics of the meet on the day of competition. They should have a minimum of 5 assistants. Their responsibilities and assignments shall be determined by the Meet Director.

AAU National Qualifier Program Areas (revised September 2011)

Area 1	(3)	NY / NJ / Connecticut / New England / Niagara
Area 2	(1)	Southern New Jersey / Philadelphia
Area 3	(2)	Maryland (Baltimore area) / Potomac Valley (Washington DC)
Area 4	(1)	Virginia
Area 5	(1)	Western Pennsylvania / Western Maryland
Area 6	(1)	Alabama/ Tennessee
Area 7	(1)	North Carolina
Area 8	(1)	Georgia/South Carolina
Area 9	(2)	Florida / Florida Gold Coast
Area 10	(1)	Louisiana / Mississippi
Area 11	(1)	Ohio
Area 12	1)	Michigan
Area 13	(1)	West Virginia
Area 14	(2)	Illinois / Indiana / Kentucky / Wisconsin
Area 15	(1)	Ozark
Area 16	(1)	Missouri Valley
Area 17	(1)	Arkansas / Oklahoma
Area 18	(2)	Iowa / Nebraska / Minnesota
Area 19	(1)	Gulf (Houston)
Area 20	(1)	South Texas (San Antonio)
Area 21	(1)	Southwestern (Dallas)
Area 22	(1)	West Texas
Area 23	(1)	Northern California / Washington / Oregon / Montana North Dakota / South Dakota / Wyoming / Idaho
Area 24	(2)	Southern Pacific (Los Angeles & surrounding area) / Pacific Southwest (San Diego)
Area 25	(1)	Nevada / Colorado
Area 26	(1)	Arizona / New Mexico / Utah
Area 27	(1)	Puerto Rico

^{**}The listed number of National Qualifiers per area represents the maximum allowed and does not imply that this number is mandated. National Qualifiers within listed areas may be combined but competitors MUST compete in their designated National Qualifier areas. Exceptions must be petitioned in writing to the AAU Athletics National Chair (aauathleticswaiver@bellsouth.net). The AAU Athletics Executive Committee reserves the right to determine the validity and necessity of allowing competition in other AAU National Qualifiers outside of the designated areas.



AAU ATHLETICS NATIONAL QUALIFIER BID APPLICATION/AWARD CONTRACT

SECTION 1 - BIDDING ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

A. ORGANIZATION NAME:		
AAU Club Membership Number:Address:		
City:	_ State:	Zip Code:
Telephone:	FA>	<:
E-Mail Address:		
B. EVENT COORDINATOR INFORMATION:		
NAME:		
AAU Non-Athlete Membership Number:		
Address (if different from above):		
City:	_ State:	Zip Code:
Home Telephone Number:		Cellular Number:
Business Number:	Fa	x Number:
E Mail Addross		

SECTION 2 – FACILITY INFORMATION

Α.	Name of Facility:
Fa	cility Address:
Cit	y: State: Zip Code:
В.	FACILITY COORDINATOR INFORMATION:
Na	me:
Ad	dress (if different from above):
Cit	y: State: Zip Code:
Bu	siness Telephone Number: Cellular:
Fa	k: E-Mail Address:
C.	An executed facility usage agreement or letter from the facility indicating that a contract will be executive upon awarding of the bid.
D.	Date of the Meet:
	1. The AAU National Qualifier must be completed by July 1, 2012.

SECTION 3 - BID FEE

- A. Application must be accompanied by a **800.00 NON-REFUNDABLE BID FEE.** Bid applications will not be accepted/considered without the required bid fee.
- **B.** Payment of the bid fee may be made by credit card (Mastercard, VISA, AMEX, and Discover), money order, and cashier's check. No personal checks will be accepted.
- **C.** A cashiers check or money order must be made payable to AAU of the U.S., Inc.
- **D.** Bid fees will be reimbursed to organizations that are not awarded a bid.

SECTION 4 – MEET MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

To insure the quality and consistency of the AAU National Qualifiers, the following guidelines must be adhered to. Failure to comply with these mandates will be considered a breach of the agreement between the AAU Athletics Committee and the bidder and could result in sanctions up to and including forfeiture of the right to host the aforementioned qualifier and/or forfeiture of entry fees.

- **A.** Host shall compile event information into a "meet information packet" to include date, location, tentative schedule of events, housing/accommodations, facility information, spectator admission fees, maps, etc.
- **B.** Host shall use the on-line registration program designated by the AAU.
- **C.** Any and all event flyers/promotions are to be sent through the AAU National Office for approval and distribution.
- **D.** Awards. Host shall use AAU Championship medals for 1st-3rd place finishers in each contested event, including all competing relay team members. Awards for 4th-8th place finishers are at the discretion of the meet management. If awarding ribbons for 4th-8th places, the ribbons must be AAU ribbons. All medals and ribbons must be purchased from AAU.
- **E.** Host must use the HY-TEK meet management program disc provided by the AAU National Office.
- **F.** Host shall use fully automatic timing. The name of the timing company must be provided. (name of timing company)
- **G.** Host is responsible to provide and assign adequate officials to work the AAU National Qualifier. The utilization of USATF certified officials is preferred.
 - 1. Host shall specify and attach the plan for officials.
- **H.** Security and medical personnel must be available in case of emergency.
 - 1. Host shall specify and attach the security/medical plan.
- I. Host shall forward all AAU National Qualifier results to the AAU National Office, AAU Junior Olympic Games Hy-Tek Team and AAU Junior Olympic Games Meet Director within 4 hours following the conclusion of the National Qualifier.
- J. Stadium Guideline Requirements: The number of athletes you expect at the AAU National Qualifier Meet will determine the minimum requirements as outlined herein.

1 - 500 ATHLETES	500 or MORE	
Minimum of 8 lane track	Minimum of 8 lane track	
1-2 horizontal jumping pits	2 or more horizontal jumping pits	
1-2 high jump pits	2 or more high jump pits	
1-2 shot put rings	2 or more shot put rings	
1 pole vault pit that meets NFHS guidelines	1 pole vault pit that meets NFHS guidelines	
Seating capacity of at least 1,000	Seating capacity of at least 2,000	
Proper restroom facilities	Proper restroom facilities	
1 discus ring located outside stadium	1-2 discus ring located outside stadium	
1 javelin area located outside stadium	1 javelin area located outside stadium	
Proper warm up area	Proper warm up area	
* IMPORTANT - Throwing sector lines may not intersect any other throwing area		

K. The host **MUST** provide the following during the competition:

- 1. A minimum 10x10 tent at each field event venue
- 2. A minimum 20x20 tent at clerking area
- 3. A minimum of 5 gallons of water and/or sports drink, ice and cups must be provided and continuously replenished at the following areas within the track:
 - *each field event
 - *clerking area and finish line

SECTION 5 – AAU SHALL PROVIDE TO THE HOST

- A. The right to host the event.
- B. The event sanction with AAU.
- C. HYTEK Meet Management set-up disc.
- D. The addresses to which results shall be sent, to include the AAU National Office, the AAU Junior Olympic Games Hy-Tek Team and AAU Junior Olympic Games Meet Director
- E. AAU Eblast system for event promotions.
- F. The right to sell event specific sports merchandise as approved by the AAU.

SECTION 6 – COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Will the Chamber of	of Commerce and/or	Convention and Visitors Bureau be	e involved in supporting the
event?		Yes [] No []	
If yes:			
Contact:			_
Title:			_
Address:			-
Phone Numbers:			- [Phone]
	E-Mail	/	[Fax]

SECTION 7 – HOUSING

A. Host shall provide local housing/accommodations information. This information is to be included in the meet information packet.

SECTION 8 – SPONSORSHIP

- A. Host/Bidder shall identify the event as the AAU National Qualifier in all communication.
- **B.** The AAU of the U.S., Inc. has the right of approval of solicitation by the host of any and all potential and actual sponsors, underwriters, supporters, local suppliers and local patrons.
- **C.** No event sponsorship may conflict with a national sponsor of the AAU of the U.S., Inc., without the express written consent of the AAU, Inc.

- **D.** Host /Bidder shall be allowed to refer to any local sponsor(s) as the "official" sponsor(s), Supplier(s) or supporter(s) of the event.
- **E.** Host/Bidder shall include in this bid document, a listing of all potential sponsor(s) intended to be contacted or solicited for potential involvement in the AAU National Qualifier. The AAU of the U.S., Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any proposed sponsors.
- **F.** Host/Bidder shall not represent in any oral or written form or in any communication medium that any product(s), service(s) or contribution(s) have been "endorsed", "selected", "approved" or "designated" as "official" without written approval from the AAU of the U.S., Inc.

SECTION 9 – GENERAL INFORMATION:

- **A.** Bid applications are due in the AAU National Office no later than December 31st.
- **B.** All bid applications must be completely filled out and accompanied by the required attachments (Officials, Housing, Medical/Security, Timing, Sponsors, etc.)
- **C.** Bid fees paid by cashier's check or money order must accompany the application. To pay by credit card, call the AAU National Office at 407-934-7200 to arrange payment. If using a credit card, payment must be received before the submission of the application.
- **D.** Bid application packets are to be mailed to:

By US Postal Service: AAU/Athletics

P. O. Box 22409

Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830

By Overnight Carrier: AAU/Athletics

1910 Hotel Plaza Blvd. Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830

ATTACHMENT A Award of AAU Athletics National Qualifier

With the execution of this Agreement (AAU Athletics Nation	onal Qualifier Bid Application and
Attachment A), the AAU awards the National Qualifier to	(Organization
Name) and attaches and incorporates hereto all the requirements	of the AAU Athletics National Qualifier Bid
Application/Award Contract.	
For the Host:	
The Host certifies that representative listed herein is duly authorize	ed to sign and execute this agreement to
host said event on behalf of	(Organization Name).
Signature:	-
Printed Name:	_
Title:	
Date:	
For the AAU:	
Signature:	_
Printed: Louis Stout	
Title: President, CEO, Amateur Athletic Union of the U.S., Inc.	
Date:	
Signature:	_
Printed: Roger J. Goudy	
Title: Secretary, Amateur Athletic Union of the U.S., Inc.	
Date:	